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Bridging DOE and DOL Medical Monitoring Programs for Chronic Beryllium Disease – FY 2003

	<i>Former Beryllium Worker Medical Surveillance Program</i> (funded by EH -6 /conducted by ORISE)	Chronic Beryllium Disease Screening Component of the Former Worker Medical Screening Program (FWP) (funded by EH -6/conducted by selected universities/unions)	<i>Current Beryllium Worker Medical Surveillance Programs</i> (funded by DOE Program Offices/conducted by contractors at DOE sites)
Status of Information Packages on EEOICPA and DOL's Medical Monitoring Program for CBD	<p>Information package developed with input from Central Beryllium IRB and sent beginning November 2001 to all participants with 1+ abnormal BeLPT</p> <p>Following DOE's November 2002 decision to continue (for FY 2003) to offer medical follow-up to individuals with one or more abnormal BeLPT who do not wish to file a claim with DOL at this time, EH -6 and EH -8 reviewed this package again to determine whether changes would be needed to reflect the Department's modified approach. Only 1 non-substantive change was recommended and has been made by ORISE (addition of the clause, "as this is a lifetime benefit" to the third paragraph of the letter).</p>	<p>Information package for individuals with 1+ abnormal BeLPT developed with input from Central Beryllium IRB.</p> <p>The package is essentially the same as the one currently used by the Former Beryllium Worker Medical Surveillance Program and will be sent out soon.</p>	<p>Guidance/information package sent to Heads of Program Elements, with copy to Heads of Field Elements and site medical directors.</p> <p>The package recommends the same general approach for current workers as the one used by EH for former workers.</p>
DOE Actions			
For individuals who receive 1+ abnormal BeLPT in the future	Send information package.	Send information package.	Information package described above for current workers made available to DOE sites for their consideration/use.

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DOE Actions (cont.)			
After worker acceptance into DOL medical monitoring program	Individuals will contact DOL regarding medical examinations and related travel. Only if requested by former worker(s), ORISE will offer assistance in setting up clinical evaluations and scheduling (but not pre-paying) travel.	Individuals will contact DOL regarding medical examinations and related travel. Only if requested by former worker(s), the FWP (through ORISE) will offer assistance in setting up clinical evaluations and scheduling (but not pre-paying) travel. .	EH guidance recommends that individuals contact DOL regarding medical examinations and related travel. For individuals who request assistance from the site medical clinic once accepted by DOL, Program Offices/DOE Sites will make a determination as to whether to provide services and what services to provide.
For workers who have filed lawsuits against DOE/DOE contractor on or after 10/30/00	ORISE will continue to provide medical follow-up.	FWP (through ORISE) will continue to provide medical follow-up.	Not specified in EH guidance, as this determination is up to Program Offices/DOE Sites.
For workers accepted into the DOL program who want to return to the DOE program or request assistance from DOE	DOE will not accept these individuals back into its medical monitoring program for chronic beryllium disease but can offer assistance through ORISE in setting up clinical evaluations and scheduling (but not pre-paying) travel.	DOE will not accept these individuals back into its medical monitoring program for chronic beryllium disease, but the FWP can offer assistance (through ORISE) in setting up clinical evaluations and scheduling (but not pre-paying) travel.	Not specified in EH guidance, as this determination is up to Program Offices/DOE Sites.

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For workers who do not want to file a claim with DOL	For FY 2003, ORISE will continue to provide medical follow-up but will convey to the individual the benefits of filing with DOL soon (including lifetime medical follow-up for CBD).	For FY 2003, FWP will continue to provide medical follow-up but will convey to the individual the benefits of filing with DOL soon (including lifetime medical follow-up for CBD).	Not specified in EH guidance, as this determination is up to Program Offices/DOE sites.